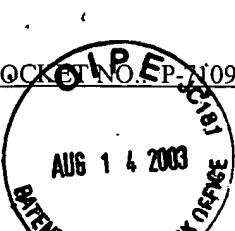


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Applicant: Jesus W. Casas-Bejar et al
 Serial No.: 09/998,536
 Filed: November 28, 2001
 Title: Medical Electrical Leads and Indwelling Catheters with Enhanced Biocompatibility and Biostability

Examiner: Thissell, Jeremy
 Group Art Unit: 3763
 Docket: P-7109.03 C1

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 Commissioner for Patents
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 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Total Claims	18 -	18 =		x 18.00	\$00.00
Independent Claims	5 -	5 =		x 84.00	\$00.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	No			+ 280.00	\$
TOTAL					\$00.00

Applicant hereby petitions for a 3- month extension of time in the prior application. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor;

Charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 the sum of **\$930.00 for a 3-month extension of time.**

\$240.00 pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(c) without 37 CFR §1.97(e) certification

Please charge any additional fees or credits to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Amendment Transmittal with regard to this filing. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.

Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time.

August 12, 2003
 Date

Kenneth J. Collier
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Medtronic Inc.

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Date August 12, 2003

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PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicant(s) : Jesus W. Casas-Bejar, Darrel F. Untereker, Maura G. Donovan, Qinghong Zhao, Brian C.A. Fernandes, Timothy H. Robinson, Peter T. Schroeder

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For **Medical** **Eligibility**

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Sir:

Applicants submit their response in support of US Application Number 09/063,227. Applicants submit cancelled claims and arguments to forward prosecution. Applicants response is submitted in reply to the office action dated February 12, 2003. In the previous Office Action received by the Applicants, the Examiner rejected pending claims 1-12, 26, 30-32, and 35.

Applicants submit with their response for a three month extension of time and authorize the office to charge deposit account No. 13-2546, in the name of Medtronic, Inc., the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(c) for any additional fees necessary related to this application.

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